

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Applicant has submitted a new complete claim set showing marked up claims with insertions indicated by underlining and deletions indicated by strikeouts and/or double bracketing.

1. (Currently Amended) A fire-resistant material ~~based on~~ comprising an elastomeric foam of cross-linked ethylene vinyl acetate (EVA) with a substantially closed cell structure in which foam at least one crust-forming fire-retardant material and a pH neutralized graphite material are incorporated, wherein the crust-forming fire-retardant material has been selected from poly ammonium phosphate and melamine phosphate.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Previously Presented) A material according to claim 1, wherein the graphite material expands at a temperature higher than 200°C.
4. (Previously Presented) A material according to claim 1, in the form of a plate-shaped or beam-shaped element.
5. (Currently Amended) A system for sealing off, at least during a fire taking place adjacent a wall, in at least one of a virtually entirely flame-tight manner and ~~preferably also~~ smoke-tight manner, an opening extending through this wall, through which a transporting device comprising ~~for instance~~ at least one of a cable, duct ~~or~~ and pipe has been fed, the system being provided with elements manufactured from a fire-resistant material which expands under the influence of temperature increase, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the elements are manufactured from ~~the foam according to claim 1~~ a fire-resistant material comprising an elastomeric foam of cross-linked ethylene vinyl acetate (EVA) with a substantially closed cell structure in which foam at least one crust-forming fire-retardant material and a pH neutralized graphite material are incorporated.

wherein the crust-forming fire retardant material has been selected from poly ammonium phosphate and melamine phosphate.

6. (Withdrawn) A system which can serve as an at least temporary sealing of a feed-through in a wall such that, after the temporary sealing, at least parts of the system can be removed in a simple manner for the purpose of feeding a transporting device such as a cable, duct or tube through the feed-through, such that during a fire taking place adjacent the wall during the temporary sealing, the feed-through is sealed off at least virtually entirely fire-tightly and preferably also smoke-tightly, the system being provided with elements manufactured from a fire-resistant material which expands under the influence of temperature increase while the elements are manufactured from ~~the foam according to claim 1~~ a fire-resistant material comprising an elastomeric foam of cross-linked ethylene vinyl acetate (EVA) with a substantially closed cell structure in which foam at least one crust-forming fire-retardant material and a pH neutralized graphite material are incorporated, wherein the crust-forming fire retardant material has been selected from poly ammonium phosphate and melamine phosphate.

7. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 5, wherein the system is designed such that the elements can be fixed in a self-clamping manner in the opening or in a casing thereof through mutual contact, contact with an inner wall of the opening or contact with the transporting device.

8. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the system can be substantially fixed ~~virtually fittingly~~ within a volume which is bounded by a first outer surface of the wall and a second outer surface of the wall located opposite the first outer surface.

9. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the system is designed such that after the system has been fixed in the opening, parts of the opening which are free from the transporting device are sealed off by the system.

10. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the system is designed such that after fixation in the opening, the system is ready for use.

11. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein at least one of the elements is part of a plate-shaped material, which is provided with a line of weakening, the at least one element being detachable by breaking along the line of weakening in the plate-shaped material.

12. (Currently Amended) A system according to claims 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein at least one of the elements is of tube-shaped design.

13. (Currently Amended) A system according to claims 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein at least one of the elements is of plate-shaped design.

14. (Withdrawn) A system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the system is further provided with a lubricant which can be applied to a surface of each of the elements.

15. (Withdrawn) A wall with an opening extending through that wall, through which at least one transporting device such as a cable, duct or pipe has been fed, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the opening is provided with a system according to claim 6.

16. (Currently Amended) A wall with a feed-through, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the feed-through is at least temporarily sealed off with a system according to claim 5.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Canceled)